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## Shipping Weight and Value; Customs District and Continent

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. Customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The Customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at \$1.5 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of Customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1974 edition, as amended.

### Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such with U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

The value reported in the export statistics generally is equivalent to a f.a.s. (free alongside ship) value at the U.S. port of export, based on the transaction price, including inland freight, insurance, and other charges incurred in placing the merchandise alongside the carrier at the U.S. port of exportation.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual Customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada the statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under \$251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual Customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The table on the following page provides a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Inquiries concerning these figures should be addressed to the Chief, Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233. Tel: Area Code 301, 763-5140.



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Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
\$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
\$500,000-\$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
\$100,000-\$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
\$20,000-\$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cells of under \$20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from \$3,000 to \$15,000			

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
\$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
\$100,000-\$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
\$20,000-\$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under \$20,000	Generally \$500 to \$5,000
Cells of \$0	Generally less than \$500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

### Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of

merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The Customs value shown in this report represents the value of imports as appraised by the U.S. Customs Service in accordance with the legal requirements of Sections 402 and 402a of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. It may be based on the foreign market value, export value, constructed value, American selling price, etc. It generally represents a value in the foreign country, and therefore excludes U.S. import duties, freight, insurance, and other charges incurred in bringing the merchandise to the United States. This valuation is primarily used for collection of import duties and frequently does not reflect the actual transaction value.

The statistics shown for individual Customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued \$251 and over. Data for shipments valued under \$251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under \$251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample for 1974. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under \$251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of \$500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under \$500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than \$50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)						Value (1,000 dollars)									
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers....	125,840	(X)	26,818	16,622	55,610	18,959	3,472	3,473	1,117,400	(X)	122,640	85,438	570,655	257,890	37,862	29,534
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	42,251	9,977	5,031	17,712	7,306	1,070	799	(X)	396,223	54,722	24,789	185,944	104,173	11,078	9,760
Boston, Mass.....	3,570	1,557	361	2	2,924	170	34	79	48,594	23,613	3,634	36	40,534	3,013	688	688
Bridgeport, Conn.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buffalo, N.Y.....	588	586	586	-	2	-	(Z)	-	4,987	4,640	4,939	-	48	-	1	-
New York City, N.Y.....	49,527	15,134	2,778	4,388	33,539	6,441	284	2,098	532,026	166,361	21,723	35,674	361,019	89,454	3,416	20,739
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,779	1,183	234	365	978	180	4	17	11,362	5,442	2,439	2,129	5,833	797	36	128
Baltimore, Md.....	85	85	85	-	-	-	-	-	977	977	977	-	-	-	-	-
Wilmington, N.C.....	5	3	3	2	-	-	-	-	73	35	35	39	-	-	-	-
Charleston, S.C.....	10	10	-	-	(Z)	10	-	-	89	89	-	88	1	-	-	-
Savannah, Ga.....	563	559	75	391	92	5	-	(Z)	2,227	1,893	270	705	1,136	104	-	11
Tampa, Fla.....	54	11	53	(Z)	1	(Z)	-	-	244	23	232	1	10	1	-	-
Mobile, Ala.....	3	3	-	-	(Z)	3	-	-	27	27	-	-	1	26	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	739	124	679	39	1	21	-	-	4,107	755	3,644	188	58	217	-	-
Laredo, Tex.....	207	53	203	4	-	-	-	-	1,041	479	1,003	38	-	-	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	189	147	189	-	-	-	-	-	1,427	1,184	1,427	-	-	-	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	1	(Z)	1	-	-	-	-	-	8	2	8	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	7,347	2,443	780	330	2,304	2,842	985	108	121,091	35,517	4,079	5,216	42,039	56,718	11,688	1,352
San Francisco, Calif.....	5,119	2,875	407	52	668	2,938	1,051	3	93,120	46,105	5,428	697	12,325	57,544	17,001	126
Portland, Oreg.....	116	116	44	-	71	(Z)	(Z)	-	3,846	3,809	856	-	2,952	37	(Z)	-
Seattle, Wash.....	883	789	256	2	237	368	16	3	9,650	7,519	2,256	90	2,411	4,667	157	68
Anchorage, Alaska.....	199	150	-	-	3	196	-	-	2,381	185	-	-	126	2,255	-	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	534	190	(Z)	(Z)	2	362	170	(Z)	4,470	764	1	(Z)	63	3,596	807	1
Great Falls, Mont.....	74	74	74	-	-	-	-	-	493	493	493	-	-	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	302	297	222	-	(Z)	77	2	-	4,180	3,920	1,197	-	1	2,972	10	-
Detroit, Mich.....	2,631	2,040	634	143	1,729	73	17	35	16,625	13,990	3,131	186	12,004	217	870	218
Chicago, Ill.....	12,682	5,870	2,966	13	7,149	2,264	5	286	98,919	43,370	19,632	24	56,743	20,260	44	2,217
Cleveland, Ohio.....	719	66	444	-	209	66	-	-	5,377	783	1,467	-	1,777	2,133	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	59	31	27	-	31	1	-	(Z)	705	520	220	-	478	6	-	1
San Juan, P.R.....	1,192	799	952	209	31	-	-	(Z)	5,545	3,673	2,671	1,505	1,367	1	-	1
Miami, Fla.....	17,020	5,931	8,176	8,525	176	8	1	135	60,396	18,973	25,117	32,375	2,272	86	5	541
Houston, Tex.....	1,780	616	609	293	344	379	3	151	11,806	3,208	2,702	777	3,081	4,028	6	1,211
Washington, D.C.....	940	93	3	134	778	16	2	7	13,190	1,810	46	2,071	10,317	672	17	67
All other districts.....	106	76	42	24	4	33	1	1	539	299	203	86	134	101	11	4
Shipments under \$251.....	15,931	(NA)	5,933	1,708	4,338	2,506	895	551	44,493	(NA)	12,805	3,600	13,925	8,898	3,106	2,160
Special Category.....	884	355	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	13,381	5,757	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

D Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for security reasons.

NA Not available.

X Not applicable.

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Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unloading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)					Value (1,000 dollars)				
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total	
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers
Total, all carriers..	89,828	(X)	12,519	11,556	40,029	24,005	830	588	744,835	(X)
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	35,204	4,654	4,141	15,207	10,733	396	73	(X)	341,510
Boston, Mass.....	2,210	1,044	84	18	2,007	86	(Z)	16	18,143	8,435
Bridgeport, Conn.....	6	2	1	1	5	-	-	-	56	35
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	36
Buffalo, N.Y.....	277	239	267	(Z)	7	3	-	-	3,762	2,231
New York City, N.Y.....	39,154	18,119	1,622	4,074	24,906	7,886	336	330	389,818	180,775
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,224	939	18	843	323	37	(Z)	3	15,407	7,703
Baltimore, Md.....	33	28	22	1	4	7	-	-	416	304
Wilmington, N.C.....	22	22	1	-	21	-	-	-	238	115
Charleston, S.C.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Savannah, Ga.....	111	102	36	(Z)	67	7	-	-	1,530	1,464
Tampa, Fla.....	76	8	74	-	2	(Z)	-	-	279	50
Mobile, Ala.....	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	(Z)	-	-	-	2	1
New Orleans, La.....	309	47	291	14	2	1	(Z)	-	2,461	187
Laredo, Tex.....	84	48	82	(Z)	(Z)	1	-	-	421	322
El Paso, Tex.....	36	24	31	-	2	3	-	-	937	863
Nogales, Ariz.....	124	86	124	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	399	270
Los Angeles, Calif.....	6,662	2,017	739	151	910	4,653	170	39	84,370	33,383
San Francisco, Calif.....	4,970	2,858	130	9	203	4,440	187	2	75,121	39,674
Portland, Ore.....	49	49	6	(Z)	30	12	-	-	629	624
Seattle, Wash.....	1,698	1,629	382	-	90	1,220	5	(Z)	14,407	12,330
Anchorage, Alaska.....	28	11	8	-	12	8	-	-	357	133
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	614	198	32	-	16	525	41	-	12,208	1,094
Great Falls, Mont.....	10	8	10	-	(Z)	-	-	-	103	87
Pembina, N. Dak.....	20	19	20	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	-	128	126
Minneapolis, Minn.....	160	88	9	-	71	80	-	-	1,911	1,563
Detroit, Mich.....	1,720	1,453	276	(Z)	1,421	22	(Z)	1	7,152	5,098
Chicago, Ill.....	4,347	2,155	586	4	2,675	1,047	2	33	50,660	21,930
Cleveland, Ohio.....	195	9	70	(Z)	125	-	-	-	1,130	256
St. Louis, Mo.....	46	36	8	(Z)	38	-	-	-	1,592	1,521
San Juan, P.R.....	2,659	830	2,018	557	75	8	(Z)	1	4,069	1,848
Miami, Fla.....	9,275	2,253	3,650	5,328	239	51	3	4	23,223	6,891
Houston, Tex.....	418	195	224	82	95	13	2	1	4,322	1,179
Washington, D.C.....	701	621	35	1	651	10	3	(Z)	11,208	7,973
All other districts....	78	53	29	1	46	2	-	-	3,054	3,010
Shipments under \$251...	12,506	(NA)	1,627	473	5,985	3,883	79	159	15,244	(NA)

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